

372ND INFANTRY AREA
FORT DIX, N. J.

14 April 1942

Mrs Effa Manley
71 Crawford Street
Newark, New Jersey.

Dear Mrs Manley:

This is the first opportunity I have had to answer your gracious letter of 9 April 1942, and to thank you for your thoughtful interest in our behalf , the forgotten soldiers at Fort Dix.

Colonel Gilbert and Captain Henderson join with me in accepting your invitation to be present at the opening game of your club on 3 May 1942. Let me assure you that we will certainly be there at the appointed time unless something happens the last minute to preventit.

I have spoken to several officers here as suggested by you and some have expressed the desire to attend if in the area at the time, so, if I may, I should like to bring those who are available without a formal invitation, you will please advise me.

I would consider it a favor if you would send an invitation to these very good friends of mine who have made it most pleasant for me here at Dix. Dr and Mrs Charles F. Gibson 568 High Street and Mr Edward Bathard, 210 West Union Street, Burlington, New Jersey.

Sorry to have been unable to see you last Saturday, but will look forward with much pleasure to this Saturday, when I will be in your city with Colonel Gilbert for a short time.

Hoping that you will have a grand opening, with excellent weather and a larger attendance than last year, I beg to remain,

Most sincerely yours,

Alexander R. Davis
ALEXANDER R. DAVIS
Lt.Col., Station Complement.

Colonel Howard C. Gilbert, 372d Infantry Area, Fort Dix, N. J.
Captain StElmo P. Henderson, 372d Infantry Area, Fort Dix, N. J.
Lieut. Colonel Alexander R. Davis, 372d Infantry Area, Fort Dix, N. J.

Dear Col

I am writing to enclose ~~you~~^{these will be}
tickets for evening, day, for you
Col. Gilbert & Capt. Henderson ^{to the band right}
^{more than} these 6 tickets in your party ^{to the band right}
I have received a reply from
Mr. Richards in Burlington and
will seat him in the same box
with you I am saving seats for
your other friends in the same
box - If I saw The Eagles play in
Washington last Sunday and I
think we have a good team I
certainly hope they wont repeat
the performance of last year
I am looking forward to
seeing you. Keep your fingers
crossed for a nice day -
Very Truly Yours

6 seats box 10